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SUBJECT: PRODUCTION OF FOOD INDUSTRY, MARCH 1978

1. JANUARY-MARCH FOOD INDUSTRY PRODUCTION REPORT IN
EKONOMICHESKAYA GAZETA ARE SHOWN BELOW.

2. COMMENT: GAINS OF FROM 4-11 PERCENT OVER THE SAME
PERIOD OF 1977 CONTINUED IN ALL REPORTED ITEMS EXCEPT
BUTTER BASED ON THESE STATISTICS.

3. FIRST QUARTER MEAT AND SAUSAGE PRODUCTION CONTINUED AT
INCREASED LEVELS COMPARED TO SAME PERIOD OF 1977. THE
SMALLER GAINS OVER 1976 FOR THESE ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED TO
BE LARGELY RELATED TO DISTRESS SLAUGHTER IN JANUARY OF
THAT YEAR.

4. WHOLE MILK CONTINUES TO BE PRODUCED AT LEVELS SLIGHTLY
ABOVE YEAR PREVIOUS.

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5. BUTTER PRODUCTION RECOVERED IN MARCH TO THE 1977 LEVEL.
IT IS TOO EARLY TO KNOW IF THIS IS IN PART AT LEAST DUE
TO A POLICY CHANGE, I.E., DECISION TO PRODUCE MORE BUTTER
AND LESS CHEESE OR OTHER DAIRY PRODUCTS.

6. VEGETABLE OIL PRODUCTION REGISTERED THE STRONGEST
GAINS FOR THE WHOLE QUARTER AS IT DID IN THE FIRST TWO

MONTHS. HOWEVER, THE RATE OF INCREASE OVER YEAR PREVIOUS
PRODUCTION LEVELS IS NOT AS GREAT AS IN JANUARY AND
FEBRUARY.

7. PRODUCTION OF FOOD INDUSTRY, CENTRALIZED SECTOR ONLY
JANUARY THRU MARCH (THOUSAND METRIC TONS):

-	-	JANUARY-	JANUARY-	1978 AS	1978 AS
-	-	MARCH	MARCH	PERCENT	PERCENT
-	-	1978	1977	1977	1976

MEAT	-	2,069	1,907	109	104
SAUSAGE	-	720	695	104	101
BUTTER	-	222	225	99	119
WHOLE MILK		6,100	5,800	105	109
VEGETABLE OIL		795	718	111	127
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